

III. CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Currently Amended) A telephone apparatus, comprising:

B a body part constructed to house a portion of said telephone apparatus,

a sleeve-like grip part adapted to be held by a user during use and constructed to receive said body part ~~mounted to the body part~~ for longitudinal slidable movement of said body part on said grip part, between a retracted position and an extended position,

~~mechanically coupled to the body part and the grip part, a movement-effecting~~ an actuator mechanism coupled between said grip part and said body part for effecting the longitudinal slidable movement of said body part relative to said grip part between said retracted position and said extended position,

a locking mechanism for detachably locking the body part and into the grip part ~~into the retracted position and~~

a user-actuatable ~~releasing release actuator mechanism mounted~~ in the grip part for releasing the locking mechanism.

~~wherein the releasing actuator is located within the grip part.~~

B 2. (Currently Amended) A telephone apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the grip part comprises a first side surface and a second surface for holding the telephone apparatus by one hand so that one side surface rests against the thumb and palm and the tips of the other fingers rest on the other side surface, and the ~~releasing actuator mechanism~~ is located on one of said side surfaces.

3. (Currently Amended) A telephone apparatus according to claim 2, comprising two ~~releasing release actuators mechanisms~~ located on opposite side surfaces.

4. (Currently Amended) A telephone apparatus according to claim 3, wherein said two ~~releasing release actuators mechanisms~~ are unsynchronized so that actuating either one of them alone suffices to release the locking mechanism.

5. (Currently Amended) A telephone apparatus according to claim 3, wherein said two ~~releasing release actuators mechanisms~~ are unsynchronized so that only actuating both of them simultaneously suffices to release the locking mechanism.

6 - 27 (Withdrawn)

28. (Currently Amended) A telephone apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the body part ~~comprises a~~ forms a housing within which a majority of electrically functional parts of the telephone apparatus are mounted, and the grip part comprises surfaces

configured for a single-hand grip for a human user holding the telephone apparatus in a conventional operational position of a telephone.

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29. (New) A telephone according to claim 1, wherein, in said extended position, the telephone apparatus is held by the user by grasping the grip part and holding the telephone apparatus such that a longitudinal slidable movement of the body part moves said body part upwards from a retracted position to an extended position where said body part is above said grip part.

30. (New) A telephone according to claim 1, wherein said telephone includes a display mounted in said body part.

31. (New) A telephone according to claim 1, wherein said telephone includes an antenna, for receiving and transmitting radio signals, mounted on said body part.

32. (New) A telephone according to claim 30 wherein said telephone further includes a loudspeaker mounted on said body part.

33. (New) A telephone according to claim 1 wherein, in said extended position, said body part is supported on said grip part to provide an upper part of said telephone and said grip part provides a lower part.